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SUBJECT: BEIRUT EAC MEETING ON JANUARY 15, 2008

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11. (SBU) On January 15, 2008, the Ambassador chaired a meeting of the Emergency Action Committee (EAC) at 1700 hours to discuss today's explosion that hit a Diplomatic vehicle injuring a U.S. Embassy Lebanese driver. The Ambassador, DCM, AID, RSO, POL, GRPO, DAO, MGMT, PAO, CONS attended. Beirut EAC agreed that a follow-up meeting will occur on January 16, 2008 at 0900 hours.

Two issues were decided on: 1) that the Ambassador's farewell event at the Phoenicia Hotel in Beirut is cancelled;
2) and that all moves off Embassy compound are cancelled until further notice.

The Embassy plans to open for business on January 16.
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